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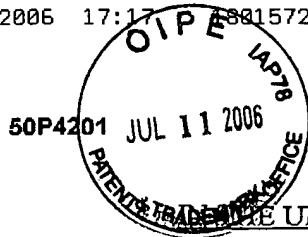
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In the Patent Application of: Robert Allan Unger

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Filed: November 13, 2000

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Required to Acquire a Control Channel of a
Cable Television Signal with a Set-Top Unit

Group Art Unit: 2623

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Sir:

The recent Notice of Allowance in this application also contains a statement of reasons for the allowance of claims 3-8, 11-16, 18, 19 and 21-29. Applicant agrees with the Examiner's conclusions regarding patentability, without necessarily agreeing with or acquiescing in the Examiner's reasoning. In particular, Applicant believes that the application is allowable because the prior art fails to teach, anticipate or render obvious the invention as claimed, independent of how the invention is paraphrased.

Respectfully submitted,

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